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SUBJ: WTDR - IRAQI TRADING COMPANY (NEW NAME FOR REQUESTED
AFRICAN IRAQI TRADING COMPANY)

REF: USDOC 16990

1. ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 17, MASBAH STREET, BAGHDAD, IRAQ.
CABLE: UNIFRESO, BAGHDAD. TELEX: 2291 UNFRESO IK.
TELEPHONE: 96385, 96218. DIRECTOR GENERAL: MOHAMMED SAEED
AL-ASWAD.

2. DISCRIPTION: FIRM IS PART OF IRAQI GOVERNMENT MINISTRY OF
DOMESTIC TRADE AND IMPLEMENTS POLICY LAID DOWN BY THE MINISTRY'S
STATE ORGANIZATION FOR TRADE IN CONSUMER GOODS. ESTABLISHED
1936 AS A PRIVATELY OWNED COMPANY UNDER NAME OF AFRICAN IRAQI
TRADING COMPANY, IT WAS NATIONALIZED BY GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ IN
1970; IT EMPLOYS 8500. IT IS SOLE AUTHORIZED IMPORTER AND WHOLE-
SALER THROUGHOUT IRAQ OF TIRES AND TUBES, AIR CONDITIONERS,
COMPRESSORS, GAS AND ELECTRICAL HOME APPLIANCES, BATTERIES,
TELEPHONES AND SWITCHBOARDS, ELEVATORS, RADIOS AND TELEVISION
SETS, SPARE PARTS AND REPLACEMENTS. IRAQI TRADING COMPANY
IS AUTHORIZED TO BE APPOINTED SALES REPRESENTATIVE OF FOREIGN
MANUFACTURES IN IRAQ.

3. FINANCIAL REFERENCE: RAFIDAIN BANK, BAGHDAD, IRAQ.
TRADE REFERENCES: N/A.

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4. FOREIGN FIRMS REPRESENTED: NOT AVAILABLE.

5. POST EVALUATION: IRAQI TRADING COMPANY IS ONE OF SEVERAL
GOVERNMENT OWNED ORGANIZATIONS SET UP TO IMPORT CONSUMER GOODS.
THIS COMPANY IS THE NORMAL INTERMEDIARY WHICH ANY IRAQI PRIVATE
SECTOR BUYER MUST USE FOR HIS PURCHASES. FIRM'S REPUTATION IS
GOOD, BUT ONLY A FEW US MANUFACTURERS HAVE HAD DEALINGS WITH IT.
USINT KNOWS OF NO SERIOUS COMPLAINTS ABOUT COMPANY AND RECOMMENDS
IT AS GOOD TRADING CONTACT FOR US MANUFACTURERS.

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